

CLAIMS

- 1) A warning unit mounted to a wall, or arranged to be mounted to a wall, the warning unit comprising a housing mounted to or for mounting to the wall, the housing containing
5 a control unit and the warning unit having a proximity sensor for detecting the approach of any person to cause the control unit to energise a sound emitting device.
- 2) A warning unit as claimed in claim 1, in which said control unit is arranged to replay a verbal message via said
10 sound emitting device.
- 3) A warning unit as claimed in claim 2, in which said control unit is arranged to store a plurality of verbal messages and a selector is provided for determining which of the stored messages is replayed.
- 15 4) A warning unit as claimed in claim 2 or 3, including means enabling new messages to be recorded.
- 5) A warning unit as claimed in any preceding claim, further including a flashing light which is energised in response to said proximity sensor detecting the approach of any
20 person.
- 6) A warning unit as claimed in any preceding claim, in which said housing comprises a front cover which is locked in its closed position but which can be unlocked and opened to gain access to a control panel of said control unit.
- 25 7) A warning unit as claimed in claim 6, in which screw-holes for mounting said housing to its wall are accessible only once said front cover of said housing is opened.

8) A warning unit as claimed in claim 6 or 7, in which said front cover is provided with a pair of slots into which the opposite edges of a warning or safety sign may be inserted, and arranged to be held in position when the front cover is
5 closed.

9) A warning unit as claimed in any one of claims 6 to 8 appended to claim 3, arranged for the selection of the verbal message to be replayed to be selected via said control panel.

10) A warning unit as claimed in any one of claims 6 to 8
10 appended to any one of claims 2 to 4, arranged for use of the control panel to determine the period, following replay of the or a said message, before said proximity sensor is allowed to cause the next replay of that message.